

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:           Aime et al.                               Confirmation No.: 7608  
Serial No.:                       10/522,436  
Filing Date:                    September 6, 2005  
Examiner:                       Schlientz, L.  
For:                               PROCEDURES OF CELLULAR LABELING WITH  
                                      PARAMAGNETIC COMPLEXES FOR MRI APPLICATIONS  
Art Unit:                         1618

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**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application to respond to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2008 extending the time for response up to and including May 18, 2009.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,110.00 in payment of the three-month extension fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. No additional fee(s) are believed to be due. However, the Director is also authorized to charge such fee(s) or credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 18, 2009

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